

STATE OF WYOMING)
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COUNTY OF FREMONT)

LANDER, WYOMING
OFFICE OF THE FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MARCH 23, 2021

FULL DETAILED REPORT

The Board of Fremont County Commissioners met in Regular Session at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Chairman Travis Becker, Vice-Chairman Larry Allen, Jennifer McCarty, Clarence Thomas and Mike Jones. County Clerk Julie A. Freese was present.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 9, 2021. Motion carried unanimously. Clarence Thomas moved, Mike Jones seconded, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on March 16, 2021. Commissioner McCarty abstained due to her absence from part of the meeting. Motion carried.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to accept the bills for payment. Chairman Becker abstained from voting on The Print Shop voucher. Motion carried.

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>
307 Shredding LLC	County Sheriff	Shredding Services	\$225.00
A & I Distributors	Vehicle Maintenance	Oil/Fluids	\$1,094.90
Ace Hardware-Lander	County Buildings	Materials/Supplies	\$311.77
Ace Hardware-Riverton	County Buildings	Materials/Supplies	\$34.91
Adams, Lonnie C	District Court	Jury Duty	\$150.00
Airgas USA LLC	Vehicle Maintenance	Supplies	\$90.04
Amerigas	County Buildings	Propane	\$787.41
Amerigas Propane LP	County Buildings	Propane	\$3,322.63
Ameritech Equipment Co.	Operation Safeguard	Sanitize Detention Center	\$800.96
Anderson, Nick K	District Court	Jury Duty	\$66.00
Anderson, Richard J	District Court	Jury Duty	\$53.40
Arcasearch Corporation	County Clerk	Research Fee	\$4,861.00
Arndt, Kathleen M	District Court	Jury Duty	\$52.95
Bailey Enterprises, Inc	Inventory	Bulk Fuel	\$20,664.50
Baker, Kyle R	District Court	Jury Duty	\$30.00
Bank of the West	Segregated	Credit Card Purchases	\$56,292.86
Bank of the West Acct Analysis	Investment Pool	Analyzed Charges	\$22.59
Bekken, Patricia E	District Court	Jury Duty	\$53.85
Big Sky Communications Inc	Dispatch Center	Equipment	\$620.00
Bill Jones Plumbing & Heating	County Buildings Detention	Supplies, Services	\$675.21
Bloedorn Lumber-Lander	County Buildings	Materials, Supplies	\$335.47
Bolte, Lance D	District Court	Jury Duty	\$54.30
Breadboard, The	District Court	Jury- Meals	\$130.43
Butters, Elizabeth A	District Court	Jury Duty	\$57.00
Caffrey, Michael E	District Court	Jury Duty	\$58.80
Campbell, Jody	District Court	Jury Duty	\$61.95
Carroll Septic Service	County Buildings	Service, Repair	\$270.00
Centurylink	Computer Services	Telephone Service	\$925.66
Charter Communications	Computer Services	Internet Service	\$339.96
Christian Food Storehouse	Public Health	WY Community Funding	\$1,000.00
Clifford, Gregory P. MD PC	Detention Center	Inmate Medical	\$8,511.00
Clingman, Kristin Elaine	District Court	Jury Duty	\$50.70
Communication Technologies Inc	Segregated	Maintenance Agreement, Repairs	\$1,761.45
Control Solutions Inc	PHEP COVID Response	Data Loggers	\$2,373.00
Curtis, Darla D	District Court	Jury Duty	\$30.00
Darktrace Limited	Computer Services	Internet Service	\$4,833.00

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Davidson, Tad D.	District Court	Jury Duty	\$57.90
Dealers Electrical Supply	County Buildings	Supplies	\$24.89
Denhardt, Joshua	District Court	Jury Duty	\$150.00
Devries, Martin J.	District Court	Jury Duty	\$52.50
Draper, Kim R	District Court	Jury Duty	\$66.00
Eagle Uniform & Supply Co	Vehicle Maintenance	Laundry	\$346.12
Eaton Sales & Service, LLC	Fuel Facility	Parts & Supplies	\$473.00
Edwards Communications	Prevention Program	Radio Advertising	\$384.00
Elcock, Larry J	District Court	Jury Duty	\$280.50
Fairfield, Sonja R	District Court	Jury Duty	\$61.50
Foundation for Nations Inc	Public Health	WY Community Funding	\$1,000.00
Fremont County Solid Waste	County Buildings	Dump Fees	\$25.00
Fyler, John	Search & Rescue	Reimbursement	\$50.00
Gardner, James E	District Court	Jury Duty	\$65.10
Gee, Brian	Search & Rescue	Reimbursement	\$165.82
Giles, Ross H	District Court	Jury Duty	\$54.30
Gilroy, Cecilia C	District Court	Jury Duty	\$35.40
Globalstar USA	Search & Rescue	Satellite Phone	\$193.60
Grainger	County Buildings Detention	Materials/Supplies	\$72.00
Gramlich, Andrew F	District Court	Jury Duty	\$30.00
Great Divide Towing & Recovery	County Sheriff	Vehicle Towing	\$535.00
Griffin, David	District Court	Jury Duty	\$52.50
Hanson, Kathleen A	District Court	Jury Duty	\$161.25
High Plains Power, Inc	County Buildings	Utility Services	\$1,539.24
Hilyard, Shannon	County Attorney	Reimburse Expenses	\$100.80
Howard, Karen	District Court	Jury Duty	\$59.25
HRdirect	County Clerk	Poster Guard Service	\$503.94
HTO Chemical Company, LLC	County Buildings	Steam Boiler Treatment	\$315.36
Hutchison, Stephanie Ann	District Court	Jury Duty	\$57.00
Jackson, William L	District Court	Jury Duty	\$53.40
Jeffres, Mary Jo	Detention Center	Evaluation Services	\$1,250.00
John Deere Financial	Transportation	Materials/Supplies	\$65.46
Kairos Communications	Prevention Program	County 10 Advertising	\$1,250.00
Keele, Tina M	District Court	Jury Duty	\$54.75
Keith, Calvin Ray	District Court	Jury Duty	\$163.50
King, Tresa W.	District Court	Jury Duty	\$52.50
Knott, Martha	District Court	Jury Duty	\$45.75
Laird, Randy E	District Court	Jury Duty	\$30.00
Lander Care & Share Food Bank	Public Health	WY Community Funding	\$1,000.00
Lander Medical Clinic PC	Detention, PHIP COVID Response	Inmate Medical, COVID Testing	\$8,794.50
Lander Valley Auto Parts	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts, Supplies	\$1,128.28
Lay, Kathy M.	District Court	Jury Duty	\$52.50
Lindsey, Linda B	District Court	Jury Duty	\$32.25
Lozier, Jason E	District Court	Jury Duty	\$183.75
Mahlum, Zachary Hamilton	District Court	Court Appointment	\$105.00
Mark's Auto Sales & Towing	Abandoned Vehicles	Vehicle Towing	\$241.00
Martin, Charles L	District Court	Jury Duty	\$50.25
Martin, Michael D	District Court	Jury Duty	\$52.50
Mathill, Tonya	District Court	Jury Duty	\$285.00
McCart, Lisa Ann	District Court	Jury Duty	\$30.00
McKay, Katherine G.	District Court	Court Appointment	\$1,597.50
McKesson Medical Surgical Inc	Public Health	Medical Supplies	\$809.06
McRae, Raymond A	District Court	Jury Duty	\$168.00
Medical Imaging Associates of Idaho	Detention Center	Inmate Medical	\$449.00
Morcom Broadcasting Jackfm KTUG	Prevention Program	Radio Advertising	\$600.00
Morehead, Joe K	District Court	Jury Duty	\$58.80

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Moss, Paulette	District Court	Jury Duty	\$64.20
Mountain Dental PC	Detention Center	Inmate Medical	\$1,397.00
Mr D's Food Center Inc	Segregated	Supplies	\$312.71
Napa Auto Parts-Riverton	Transportation	Parts, Supplies	\$40.02
Nevins, Brenda L	District Court	Jury Duty	\$172.50
NMS Laboratories	County Coroner	Toxicology Services	\$1,328.00
Norco Inc	Transportation	Rentals, Supplies	\$108.40
Office Shop Inc, The	Computer Services	Copier Lease, Repair	\$1,769.61
Olson, Robert M	District Court	Jury Duty	\$52.50
Palace Pharmacy	Detention Center	Inmate Rx's	\$7,057.54
Palmer, Bruce A	District Court	Jury Duty	\$30.00
Paris, Laureen C	District Court	Jury Duty	\$285.00
Paskett, Avelinda	District Court	Jury Duty	\$56.10
Pavillion, Town of	County Buildings	Water Utilities	\$133.49
Peterbilt of Wyoming	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts	\$69.00
Phifer Law Office	District Court	Court Representation	\$450.00
Pioneer Pharmacy LLC	PHEP COVID Response	Testing	\$2,250.00
Post, Raymond	County Sheriff	Car Wash	\$22.36
Postmaster	Segregated	Yearly Box Rentals	\$198.00
Print Shop, The	Segregated	Supplies	\$769.00
Priority Dispatch Inc	Dispatch Center	Training	\$241.00
Quadient Inc	County Sheriff	Machine Rental	\$29.72
Quadient Leasing USA Inc	County Attorney	Machine Lease	\$266.52
Quickspace	County Buildings Detention	Container	\$6,250.00
Quill Corporation	Segregated	Office Supplies	\$2,082.64
Ragan, Stacey M.	District Court	Jury Duty	\$30.00
Raymond, Gena S	District Court	Jury Duty	\$66.45
Reed's Moghaun Office Supply	Detention Center	Office Supplies	\$24.95
Regan, Katrina	District Court	Jury Duty	\$39.45
Reisig, Janet	District Court	Jury Duty	\$39.00
Reisig, Sarah E	District Court	Jury Duty	\$34.50
Riverton Community Food Bank	Public Health	WY Community Funding	\$1,000.00
Riverton Physician Practices LLC	Detention Center	Inmate Medical	\$87.00
Robison, Gearld L	District Court	Jury Duty	\$43.50
Rocky Mountain Power	County Buildings	Utilities	\$10,834.83
Ryman, Ruth A	District Court	Jury Duty	\$59.70
Sagewest Health Care	Detention Center	Inmate Medical	\$19,154.41
Schafer, Danielle	District Court	Jury Duty	\$35.40
Sebade, Leann K	District Court	Jury Duty	\$168.00
Shoshoni, Town of	County Buildings	Water, Sewer	\$56.00
Sickles, Todd A	District Court	Jury Duty	\$67.35
Smith, Loren L	District Court	Jury Duty	\$59.25
St. Thomas Episcopal Church	Public Health	WY Community Funding	\$1,000.00
State of Wyoming	Transportation	Water Permits	\$550.00
Stotz Equipment	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts/Equipment/Supplies	\$77.88
Stroupe Pest Control Inc	County Buildings	Pest Control	\$200.00
Sylvestri Customization	Prevention Program	Graphic Design, Social Media	\$650.00
Teton Pathology PC	County Coroner	Pre Prep	\$914.00
Thomas, Rebecca M.	District Court	Jury Duty	\$53.40
Thompson, Jack E	District Court	Jury Duty	\$58.35
Traveling Computers	Computer Services	Computer Supplies, Services	\$801.82
Trees, Roy L	District Court	Jury Duty	\$57.00
T-Y Excavation Inc	Transportation	Road Maintenance	\$23,767.50
U.S. Identification Manual	County Clerk	Manual Updates	\$82.50
Union Telephone Company	Segregated	Cellphones	\$545.64
Valley Lumber & Supply Co Inc	County Buildings	Materials/Supplies	\$70.21

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Verheul, Benjamin T	District Court	Jury Duty	\$100.20
Vericor, LLC	PHEP COVID Response	Equipment /Supplies	\$1,899.58
Verizon Wireless	Segregated	Cellphones	\$995.47
Vigil, Christine M	District Court	Jury Duty	\$150.00
Wallace, Kerry	District Court	Jury Duty	\$70.50
Weber, Rachel	District Court	Jury Duty	\$30.00
Western Printing, Inc	Segregated	Printed Supplies	\$272.68
Wietzki, Cynthia Ann	District Court	Jury Duty	\$150.00
Wild West Powersports	Vehicle Maintenance	Cover Assembly	\$69.29
Wilkerson, James A, IV, MD PC	County Coroner	Autopsy	\$1,350.00
Wind River Towing	County Sheriff	Abandon Vehicle Towing	\$1,530.00
Wind River Vet Service	County Sheriff	Service	\$120.00
WY Dept of Transportation	Vehicle Maintenance	Transfer Co Plate	\$2.00
WY Public Health Laboratory	Public Health	Lab Fees/Supplies	\$130.00
Wyoming Dept of Transportation	Segregated	Vehicle Fuel	\$1,441.34
Wyoming Machinery Co	Vehicle Maintenance	Parts & Service	\$860.52
Wyoming.com	County Sheriff	Internet Service	\$999.95
Wyonet Inc.	Computer Services	Internet Service	\$338.82
Zenk, Phyllis G	District Court	Jury Duty	\$52.50

Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to accept the voucher from Wyoming Behavioral Institute in the amount of \$9,048.00 for five Title 25 patients. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Signature File were reviewed: 1) Retirement card; and 2) Record of Proceedings. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve Amendment One to the Award Contract between State of Wyoming, Office of the Attorney General, Division of Criminal Investigation and Fremont County Government to correct the expiration date to December 31, 2021. Motion carried unanimously. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve the 1838 Rendezvous Association's Application for a 24 Hour Malt Beverage Permit for June 30, 2021 through July 4, 2021 for their annual event at the site. Motion carried unanimously. Receipt of the \$125 fee was acknowledged. Larry Allen moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve an Application/Permit to Construct Access Driveway submitted by Robert Crofts for the intersection of Sunset Avenue and 8th Street in Riverton. Motion carried unanimously.

The following items in the Priority Mail were reviewed: 1) A recommendation from Building Maintenance Supervisor to continue the lease with the agricultural tenant on the former Major property, adjoining the Fremont County Justice Center in Riverton. Discussion was held on the Agricultural Lease Agreement that expires June 30, 2021 and that the current tenant has had the lease since 2012. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to advertise a Request for Proposal for the property with a deadline of April 15, 2021. Voting against the motion: Travis Becker. Motion carried. 2) A request from the Dubois Conservation District Supervisor to plant shrubs and trees on the Dubois Ambulance Station site. The recommendation will be forwarded to the Building Maintenance Supervisor to continue discussion. 3) A notice from the Department of Family Services announcing the continuation of funding through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Community Partnership Initiative grant for FFY 2022 (October 1, 2021 through September 30, 2022). In the past, the Boys and Girls Club has received the grant administered by the county. Mike Jones moved, Larry Allen seconded, to continue sponsoring the TANF grant. Motion carried unanimously. 4) Review of the Fremont County Weed and Pest Control District Board Chairman letter to the City of Lander was held, as related to the City's notice to them of relinquishment of administration of its established program for the control of weeds and pests within Lander, effective June 30, 2021. Per state statute, if a city does not establish the administration of a program the District board shall administer a program for the city and the letter detailed the program that would be established by the District. As a result, the District will keep control of the 85% of the funds previously sent to the City. 5) Charitable Relief Program final report letters were received from various entities as requested by the Commission, asking how they spent their money and confirming it was spent in Fremont County. In a related matter, Chairman Becker proceeded to read the following statement into the record "After the Commission awarded funding for Charitable contributions to many Fremont County entities in early January, Dan Currah with Hunting with Heroes called me in late January or early February to discuss his concern with comments I made regarding the organization. He apparently wasn't satisfied with the call, so we met in person on March 12. After going over the same ground as we did on the phone conversation, I told him again of my concerns that all monies awarded to his organization remain in

Fremont County, and he agreed that they would. The local efforts put forth for Hunting with Heroes is doing well and is respected by myself and the many citizens of Fremont County. Travis Becker, dated March 23, 2021.”

There was nobody present for the Public Comment period.

Diana Mitchell gave a recap of work she has done on the Sacajawea Pathway Project. Several years ago, a petition was signed by people in the Fort Washakie area in support of the project. The pathway would be on South Fork Road, to the cemetery, and then over to Trout Creek Road and back to Highway 287 by Hines. She also requested a public restroom along the route as well. Chairman Becker thanked her for the update and asked for her to work with Inter-Tribal Council Transportation Planner Howard Brown for a firm plan to review and noted there will be jurisdictional issues to address.

Popo Agie Flood Control and River Restoration Project representative Bill Lee provided a project update that is part of their joint AML grant with the Popo Agie Conservation District. Present in the audience was Transportation Superintendent Billy Meeks, Planning Department Supervisor Steve Baumann, adjoining subdivision landowners Brad Meredith, Katie Brodie Meredith and Diana Brodie. Lee stated the Engineering Firm of Biota Research and Consulting has been in contact with the Fremont County Transportation and Planning Department to ensure they meet county road standards and floodplain rules, which requires a No Raise Certificate in order for the county to issue a Certificate of Variance for construction in the floodway. He stressed the importance of the project that will replace deteriorating flood controls to protect both county and homeowner property in the Popo Agie Ranch Estates Subdivision along a 500-foot section of road on Deer Valley Drive. Plans are to increase the road height 2.4 feet and armor the river side with rock to provide a berm in high water years. Baumann agreed with Lee’s assessment and stated that since the area is within the county floodplain, and unless the county approves a variance, construction cannot occur. As the project is funded through the AML grant, there will be no cost to the county. Three years ago, work was done to remove debris and Katie Brodie Meredith stated they own property where the river overflow ditch runs into a channel that provides their irrigation water. Since digging out this area at that time, the old water weir has been decreased by 4” and hampers their ability to flood irrigate their property after July in most years. Lee stated he would work with them to come to a solution for them. Meredith further asked about the process to have the County extend Deer Valley Road up to their property line on the subdivision side. In the event the bridge into their property on the Highway side ever washes out, they would have an alternate access. They currently are allowed to access the subdivision side via the property towners but would like a firm access into the future. She will work with Baumann on this issue. In closing, Transportation Superintendent Billy Meeks stated he does not have any concern with the engineer’s proposed plan to increase the section of road height on Deer Valley Drive as they will be per county standards. Chairman Becker stated the Commission would wait until the No Rise Certificate is presented and then proceed with issuing a variance.

Transportation Superintendent Billy Meeks and Planning Department Director Steve Baumann were present to discuss proposed fees for Approach/Access Permits and Utility and Right-of-Way Permits. Currently the Transportation Department is issuing these free of charge. Baumann had surveyed other counties regarding their permitting costs, and for the most part, Fremont County is the only County that has no associated fee for these permits. The permitting involves travel and time. Additionally, as each new access to a county road is approved, it produces additional wear and tear on the road, and additional maintenance over time to ensure adequate road safety is provided. It is the recommendation of the Transportation Department that Fremont County would be best served by developing a fee schedule as follows: Residential Access Permits - \$125.00; Commercial Access Permits - \$225.00 and Utility Crossings/Right-of-Way Agreements - \$100.00 per occurrence plus a \$250.00 cut fee for gravel or a \$750.00 cut fee for pavement and a \$0.10/foot fee for parallel or crossing. The Commissioners approved setting fees as the cost of doing business; however, asked them to make sure the fees are adequate by factoring in other costs (burden, etc.). At which time a final proposal is presented, the fees will need to go through a public notice process.

Steve Baumann reviewed the Fremont County Fuel System Surcharge. The County currently has a \$0.18 per gallon surcharge on the rack purchase price, which is applied to all users for both gasoline and diesel fuel. The \$0.18 history surcharge was to cover operating costs for the fuel system, including minor operating costs and a depreciation charge to cover system replacement. The account has a cash balance of \$200,000 which would cover the general system replacement (some parts have a very long life such as tanks vs a shorter life span for pumps and software). Annually, the cash balance has grown \$21,000

per year at the \$0.18 surcharge, and he recommended decreasing the surcharge to \$0.10 (estimated annual revenue of \$6,000) for Fiscal Year 2021-2022 so as not to overcharge what is needed for the fund, and revisit next year. The Commissioners were in agreement with the recommendation.

The Planning Department fee structure proposal was reviewed by Steve Baumann that is budget based and represents the Department's desire to increase permit fees to better represent actual costs associated with the service. He presented a breakdown of hours involved processing subdivision permits and recommended fee increase for a Simple Subdivision from \$300 to \$600 and Regular Subdivision fees from \$550 to \$850. They would adjust the price for a Subdivision Vacation from \$150 to \$200. A Replat would be adjusted to be the same as a Simple Subdivision as the time required for review is identical. Currently the charge for an address application is \$20, they propose increasing that fee to \$50 to conform with the state average. Fremont County Small Wastewater fees should be adjusted to better cover the general costs associated with multiple field inspections and real estate assistance for permitted systems, to a rate of \$50 per permit increase to the fee of \$325 for a replacement/modified septic system or greywater system; \$350 for a new standard septic system; \$375 for a new nonconventional septic system; \$550 for a new commercial septic system; \$250 for a surface application of septage; \$2,000 for an as built septic system; \$150 privy; and \$100 septic system inspection fee (for each inspection over two). The Commissioners again stated some of the costs of doing business may be understated and requested Baumann present another proposal for consideration taking burden costs into account.

In closing, Steve Baumann stated Hillcrest Drive presents issues for both the City of Lander and Fremont County. He would like to seek assistance from WYDOT to develop a Strategic Plan that contemplates growth along Hillcrest Drive south of Lander City Limits to its intersection with Mortimore Lane. He recommended applying for System Planning Initiative Funds of \$50,000 with a \$12,500 match requirement. The Strategic Plan would provide long range guidance of existing conditions, alignment, multimodal needs, right-of-way acquisition, access, speed limits and bicycle and pedestrian safety. The Commissioners were in agreement that Baumann should proceed with seeking funding for the Plan development as recommended. County 1% funding could be used as the County's match requirement.

IT Supervisor Kevin Shultz informed the Board that he has created a You Tube account that the recorded Commission meetings could be uploaded to. There is no hosting or maintenance fee for the service. The Commissioners were in agreement to begin uploading their meetings to You Tube and also add the link information to the County website.

A public hearing was advertised for 10:30 a.m. regarding Terrace Subdivision's petition to vacate the two public roads located within the platted Subdivision known as Red Hills Road and Crystal Avenue. Terrace Subdivision Homeowner's Association counsel Paul Knight was present, along with Fremont County Planning Director Steve Baumann, Transportation Superintendent Billy Meeks, Assessor Tara Berg and Mapping Technician Andy Fontaine. Knight distributed a copy of Wyoming Statute § 34-12-106 referring to the vacation and to which he quoted in part "and in case where any lots have been sold, the plat may be vacated as herein provided, by all the owners of lots in such plat joining in the execution of the writing aforesaid." He also attached the Subdivision plat map with the inclusion of three adjoining landowners for reference. The Subdivision has incurred substantial cost and expense in the repair and maintenance of the roads and bridge providing access to the subdivision and they will continue to maintain in the same manner with no change of whether its public or private. Knight referenced the Commission's previous concerns were referenced in the HOA "Resolution Relating to the Petition to Vacate Public Road" which states in part the roads "provide access only to private property with no access to any public lands or roads to public lands" and further the roads "provide access only to properties currently owned by three individuals whose properties are adjacent to the subdivision". The Resolution further states "that in the event the Commissioners grants the Petition to vacate the two roads, the HOA intends to provide access across said roads to adjacent property owners my means of recording Access Agreements." Chairman Becker questioned who owns the bridge and further referenced a Game and Fish access agreement and parking lot off of Red Hills Road that traverses through the River Park Subdivision between Terrace Subdivision and the highway. Baumann stated Terrace Subdivision covers one half of the bridge. He further stated that currently, the public roads within the Subdivision are not taxed as they are a public entity. If vacated, the applicable portion from the center of the roads would be allotted back to the lot owners and taxes will then be assessed accordingly. He presented a handout prepared by Assessor Berg and Mapping Technician Fontaine that detailed how the vacation would affect the lots, as the center of the roads would revert back to each lot owner and would then have a second component added to its legal description that must be created by a licensed surveyor. The other option is to do a "Replat", after which the legal description stays simple, clear and concise as it will match a plat and will not require

additional clarification. Berg agreed that while not a statutory requirement, the Replat process would be a cleaner process and in the best interest of the lot owners. Baumann agreed as well, the Replat would extend the lots to the center of the roadways and not create an extra parcel. Chairman Becker thanked Mr. Knight for his patience, stating the process needs to be done correctly and asked for further clarification from Knight indicating exactly where the HOA wants to begin the vacation from public to private on Red Hills Road and further research how the vacation would access the Game and Fish access.

Harold Donahue introduced himself and stated he has been in contact with both Sheriff Ryan Lee, present in the audience, and Chairman Becker regarding his recommendation that the County approve a Resolution declaring Fremont County as a "Second Amendment Sanctuary County." He stated Weston County has adopted a like Resolution in support of the declaration as well. He proceeded to read the Resolution that begins by stating "The Constitution of the United States of America is the supreme law of our nation. The Second Amendment to the Constitution states "A well-regulated militia being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed". Sheriff Lee spoke in full support of the Resolution and stated he receives weekly calls from citizens asking if the Federal Government can take our guns away, which he answers no they cannot. The Resolution has nothing in it that will hamper his duties as Sheriff; however, it serves as a statement that Fremont County Elected Officials are in full support of the Second Amendment rights afforded. Commissioner Thomas spoke in support of the Resolution, but stressed that citizens need to be responsible with firearms, maintain and understand them, teach safety first and teach youth to respect firearms and not take them for granted. Chairman Becker stated that it is unfortunate to have to restate our Constitutional rights but feels it is important to do so with this strong statement to that fact. Larry Allen moved, Jennifer McCarty seconded, to approve Resolution No. 2021-11 declaring Fremont County, Wyoming as a "Second Amendment Sanctuary County." Motion carried unanimously.

The Sandbag Policy for 2021 was reviewed as submitted. The County provides sandbags and there are four private vendors that provide sand. No more than 1,000 sandbags (unfilled) will be given to one address, 500 at a time. Emergency hour numbers were given for Emergency Management personnel and vendors. Larry Allen moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to approve the 2021 Sandbag Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Library Director Anita Marple was joined by County Clerk Julie Freese and Financial Specialist Michelle Neuenschwander regarding a budget transfer that is necessary for a Library Endowment payment from State of Wyoming to the Fremont County Library Foundation. A previous meeting had been held with Fremont County financial officials, Fremont County Library Foundation and State Foundation representatives, to clarify how the Wyoming Public Library Endowment Challenge Program works. Jennifer McCarty moved, Mike Jones seconded, to authorize the Library Board's request to amend their budget for the \$158,500 amount. Motion carried unanimously. In another Library matter, Commissioner McCarty asked for reconsideration of the action taken during the March 9, 2021 meeting when the motion was made and passed to "approve the plan as submitted by the Library Board." The Plan presented and approved included three position reclassifications: Library Director, Assistant Library Director and Library Assistant position. Jennifer McCarty moved for reconsideration of the vote. There being no second, reconsideration was denied.

County Clerk Julie Freese, Assessor Tara Berg and Treasurer Jim Anderson were present to discuss the budget analysis Freese had compiled listing revenues vs. expenditures for all departments by detailing the following: 1) current budget amounts; 2) salaries and benefits; 3) operations; 4) 2% carry over projection; 5) divided into categories of Statutory, Support and Non-Statutory; and 6) bottom line for expenditures. Based on Anderson's updated revenues she used, if the event the Commissioners continue to fund all Departments at the same level, the budget shortfall will be \$900,000 approximately. Cash reserves are not included in the projection. Survey information from other counties was also included for the off line boards detailing how other counties fund them for comparison purposes. Berg stated the State has just sent the final production report and the other State assessed values are firm so she will have updated Assessed Valuation figures shortly. The Commissioners scheduled another budget work session for their April 6th meeting to include the Finance Team members present today. The spreadsheet of all departmental information will be sent out to all Elected Official, Department Head and Off Line Board Director for their information.

Executive Health Insurance Committee member Jim Anderson stated they are still waiting on plan changes from NOVO benefits. He recommends a 3.5% increase in premiums to both the employee and county. A final recommendation will be discussed during the April 6th meeting.

Commission meeting reports were given:

Commissioner Clarence Thomas continues to work with the Wind River Inter-Tribal Council and Transportation Department to schedule a meeting with the Commissioners regarding their interest in taking four county roads into tribal inventory.

Commissioner Jennifer McCarty attended the monthly Fremont County Historic Preservation Commission meeting and stated they are moving forward with their projects.

Brief discussion was held on the renewal of MASA for the Emergent Plus coverage for all employees. The Commissioners had agreed to offer this benefit to County employees, and in the past two years, the employee could upgrade to the Platinum plan if they wished and pay the difference themselves. MASA representative Gary Robson now is informing us that the only way employees can upgrade is through a payroll deduction. Chairman Becker stated this is not an option as it creates additional work for Payroll, the employee will be able to pay the difference any way they wish or the Platinum Plan will not be an option.

A retirement reception is scheduled at 1:00 p.m. for Emergency Management Coordinator Kathi Metzler who is retiring effective April 1, 2021.

Jennifer McCarty moved, Clarence Thomas seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 12:05 p.m. and reconvene for a Regular Meeting on April 6, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

A full detailed report (for informational purposes only) and the official minutes are posted on Fremont County's website.

/s/ TRAVIS BECKER, CHAIRMAN
FREMONT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

ATTEST:

/s/ JULIE A. FREESE, FREMONT COUNTY CLERK AND CLERK OF THE BOARD